New Bedford, MA

Wright, Sarah Elizabeth
(known as Lizzie)
[to her cousin, Henry Chapman, Jr.]

September 19, 1881

[We were very sorry to hear that
Auntie had been poorly but hope
she is in her usual health now.]

New Bedford Mass
Sep. 19, 1881

Dear Carry:
I have been expecting to hear from you daily. Have you not been in family concert yet? We were very sorry to hear Auntie had been poorly but hope she is in her usual health now. We had a card from my friend Annie Barton the other day & she told me that John's mother has been very ill with bronchitis, had been out at [illegible] for some weeks with Susan. We saw by the B. Friend the other day the death of Sarah Purves & also of Hannah Hudson, wife of Samuel Hudson of Dawson St.

W. Smith unites dear love to all
Your affectionate Cousin
Sarah E. Wright
P.S. Excuse paper as writing in
the store

Tell Auntie John has begun
to think of taking a trip
to Dublin but whether he
will accomplish it or not
I can't say yet. We are having
very pleasant weather now
& I do wish you could come
I send with this a photo
of the store with caricatures
of the family: they were
taken by an itinerant
photographer. It has been
impossible for John to get
away from his umbrella
work to see you yet.
Annie often talks of the nice
time he had with you. I have
been trying to write to Aunt
Hannah but as yet have
not accomplished it.
Please give her our dear love
Now do write soon & be sure
you decide & come & se

Dear Harry
I have been c
heard from you
you not been i
Concord yet? I
sorry to hear Annie
poorly but hope
her usual healt
had a card fro
Annie Barton th
she told me tha
brother has been
with bronchitis
out at Howth fo
with Susan. I
the B. Friend the
the death of Sara
also of Hannah
of Samuel Hudson

us. With united Heart love to all
Your affectionate Cousin
Sarah C. Wright
P.S. excuse paper as I am writing in
the dark

Cousin Lizzie

a'd 9. 21 '881

PHILADELPHIA

NEW BEDFORD MASS.

Henry Chapman Jr
2043 Tower St
Philadelphia
Pa.

New Bedford, MA

Wright, Sarah E.

September 30, 1881(?)

[to Henry Chapman, Sr.?, her uncle]

[Year on stamps unclear]

[An address is also handwritten on the back: 2208 Manning St.]

Empty envelope.

2208

Manning

NEW BEDFORD MASS. SEP 20 2 PM

[illegible] Chapman Esq
134½ Pine Street
Philadelphia
Pa.

New Bedford, MA | Wright, Sarah E. | December 5, 1888

[to S. Hudson Chapman, her cousin]

[2 letters, 1 date, no envelope]

[Includes the letter it was wrapped in, an undated letter (most likely) from Hudson, which Sarah may be responding to, and which refers to pottery.]

[I am so glad Auntie feels some better, and hope the improvement will continue...]

[The letter you forwarded from my cousin Polly Fenwick, telling me many things about my dear mother, only to make me thankful that her sufferings are at an end.]

I would respectfully inform my patrons that I have secured the exclusive sale in New Bedford of the celebrated Belleek pottery which equals and in many specimens surpasses the best Royal Worcester. Having selected in person these exquisite productions of the Art at the potteries, I am enabled to offer the latest and most beautiful designs at the lowest prices. Some of the pieces have just been finished to my own order. It is the only factory in the world now making egg-shell china.

There are dainty specimens of egg shell at $2. in cups & saucers.

Genuine Worcester at 4.50:

Exquisite small vases, bowls etc at .25 to 5

Vases at 7 & 12

Richly decorated vases in newest styles with lotus or rustic handles at 12 to 16.

Beautiful tall vase 15 in. with open work handles and necks, decorated in colors and etched gold at $25.

I shall be pleased to show these gems of the potter's art to all who may favor me with a call.

Art room, back.

[illegible]
New Bedford Mass,
12 mo. 31 1868

Dear Friend Hudson -

[illegible] and [illegible] Continue [illegible] Yesterday [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
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[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

New Bedford, MA

Wright, Sarah E.

[to Chapman, Henry J.,
her cousin]

No envelope.

[Writing on letter runs in several directions.]

[Great was my astonishment on running downstairs that Auntie was actually walking upstairs. Of course Uncle + Hud were helping her, but they were not carrying her, and she looked much better...]

493 County St.
New Bedford Mass
[illegible] 30. 188[illegible]

[illegible]

493 County St.
New Bedford Mass
[illegible] 30. 18[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Bedford, [illegible]

Wright, Sarah E.

[to Harry Chapman [illegible]]

[Birthday of [illegible] June [illegible]

Harry Chapman [illegible] June [illegible]

This should be to dear Uncle Harry, as it is his birthday, but I hope he will excuse me this time as I cannot find time to write...]

[2 letters, 2 dates, 1 envelope]

[Envelope is from the umbrella shop at J.S. Wright.]

48 William St.
New Bedford Mass
17. 6th mo 188[illegible]

My Dearest Willie [illegible]
How I would like to do [illegible]
little Henry, [illegible] his
birthday, but [illegible]
will [illegible]
so cannot [illegible]
with two letters [illegible]
[illegible] most [illegible]
and feel John's absence —
However I hope he will
be much better for the
change & [illegible]
be [illegible] having a lovely
time. Enclosing dear
love and best of good
wishes for many [illegible]
of them [illegible]

[illegible] [written across the page, vertically]

I cannot tell thee how
much I feel about thy going to
but trust it may be a
very successful trip for all
concerned. So try & allow
to come here at once on
thy leaving, as I believe
the change would take her
mind off of her loss during
thy absence. How long do
you expect to be away?
I will send back paper for
the closure on 4th day or perhaps
5th but think thy former
directions will be realized.
Enclosed is the cheque for
$80.00 & wish I had the other
to send as I promised
but it is not thy way of doing
with thee. Hoping that thee
may have a good voyage &
much success

18 William St.
New Bedford Mass
14. 6th mo 1889

My dearest Mary

We should like to [illegible]
Uncle Henry [illegible] is his
birthday but I hope he
will excuse us [illegible]
we cannot finish [illegible]
with two letters [illegible]
[illegible] busy and [illegible] preparing
and feel John's absence
[illegible] I [illegible] he will
be much better for the
[illegible] changes & [illegible]
let [illegible] a [illegible]
Give Uncle [illegible] dear
love and best of good
wishes [illegible]

[illegible] dear love [illegible] & much for thyself [illegible]

78 William St
New Bedford Mass
6.20.1889

My dearest Harry
We have just fitted this little box & contrary to their orders are sending it direct to wharf of Etruria C/o Purser. It is so small it will slip under berth & on taking off outside paper they will find it all addressed to exp in Liverpool or Queenst. It is addressed to Thomas Painter Esq 12 Leinster St Dublin for Lucy P.
It contains only a few small articles most of my making for little presents, a few silk handkerchiefs, Chinese candle sticks & fans & a book for Arthur Beardon which Lucy will distribute

If it is [illegible] any trouble
to change with it please let
[illegible] or change it [illegible]

[illegible]

vermilion [illegible]
in [illegible] violet — [illegible] 69*
70, 62 [illegible] pale red [illegible]/3 & 6 & 80 same [illegible]

[illegible]

for sending package & boat
is because I could not
get it off till today &
they would not promise
to deliver in Phila
tomorrow & I was afraid
it would be late. Engine
me - then returned
from Springfield Came
Meet at Calla Shasta
yesterday looking much
better, & the winner
of 2 second prizes!
Had a vote of thanks from
the men there for daring
trace with Paul Butler
(Ben Butler's son &
a Cunicist who is

away 1st John not
knowing what good
sailors he was racing
went in, & got 2nd
His face looks done to
a turn! We all hope
the voyage will do
thee lots of good, & that
the picture may be
worth a fortune to thee.
Get Hend to come on
with Uncle & Aunt
we want to see him,
& be assured I will
go at any time to Phila
if I can be of any

assistance
Will finish at close if
there is anything to remark
It is nearing mail time
and I must close.
We have had 3 really
cold days but today
is a scorcher — but
we always have cool
nights, & there is always
a breeze on the bridge.
Our dearest love to
thee and all the family
We shall all long to
hear of thy safe arrival
which will not be far
off, on that fast boat

tell Annie to come
in soon—

Ever thy loving Cousin
S. E. Wright—

Thanks for your note
but that was not
necessary—
Excuse paper please

RECE

RETURN AFTER TEN DAYS TO

J. S. WRIGHT,

Umbrellas and Japanese Products,

NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

JUN 17

MASS.

Henry Chapman Jr

1348 Pine Street

Philadelphia

Pa.

[illegible] [illegible], MA (Wright, Sarah E.?) [illegible]

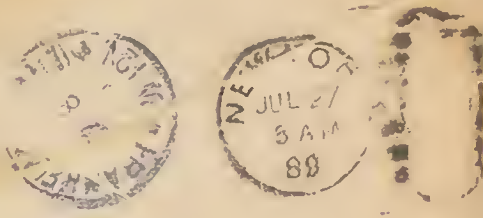
[to her cousin

Henry Chapman, Jr.]

empty envelope

[Harry was visiting numismatist

Adolph Hess in Frankfurt, Germany]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PARIS 7E AOUT 89 PL. DE LA BOURSE

M. Henry Chapman Jr.

~~[illegible] Rollin et [illegible]~~

chez monsieur A. Hess

~~4 Rue de la Place Louvois~~

Frankfort sur Mein 7 ~~Paris~~ Westendstrasse

Allemagne ~~France~~

[illegible], PA — Wright, Sarah E. — June 2[illegible]

[the Chapmans' cousin]

No envelope

[Thank thee for your kind invitation
but we were unable to accept it.
John was quite poorly all the time
in NY and I am glad I was with him.]

258 Acushnet Ave
New Bedford Mass.
6. 25. 1895

My dear Cousin

Thy card reached us on 7th day, and we thank thee for your kind invitation but were unable to accept it. John was quite poorly all the time in N.Y. & I was glad I was with him. Now that he is home again he feels rather better, but today complains of sore throat, but I hope

that is only temporary.
We must work hard
now to get the goods out
& sold. We will still
hope that you will
change your mind
and come round here
sometimes later. Once
a year is not very often
for us to see you.
Is Uncle Henry going
to Lake Placid also?
I do hope Henderson will
gain strength with
the change - Irwin

was at the Opera House here every P.M. & Loc. for a week helping light the stage with calcium lights during a Kirmess which was going on here. Now he has to run 3 entertainment with stereoptican (lime light) for a lecturer - he seems to enjoy & understand it - & hopes to get more to do in that line. Charlie is discouraged looking for work, but today there is a little prospect that he may get into a shoe store as salesman.

Ids hope he may get it.
I hate to think of his going
away to some large city
but fear that will be his
lot & Annie's also.
Poor Chrissie Woodbury
still lies & suffers - Dr
told her the other day
he did not want her
to even try the crutches
for 3 mos longer - till the
hip gains strength -!
It is over a year now
that she has suffered &
such agonising pain - &
is so patient.
A fearful accident -
occurred out on the Smith
Mill road - at that

steep hill before you come to the bridge, last Tuesday - An electric was going down at great speed when a wheel broke. The car with over 50 passengers left the track ploughed across the road into a stone wall & fell over - Thirty are more or less injured - one it is thought fatally -
28th. Could not finish this before but must try to do so now. We had not heard that Gifford was

selling his Stamps through Frossard. I think I told you how he lost $1500. by letting a man take his Collection to sell. He only sent him $130. for all. Mr. Wood of Providence also lost all his fine Collection. A man called at his house while he was at the Philatelic Meeting & told his son that he had been sent for the stamps & got them & made off — no clue. Annie is holding on to his stamps so far.

but it is pretty hard work sometimes to make ends meet - We never had such a year of dis-couragement as this has been & now our rent is raised $7 a month - I dont know whether we can hold out or not. John is far from strong & does not seem able to battle with worry as formerly. I often feel tempted to sell the house. I still owe $600 on it. But enough of us - Is not Uncle Henry going to Lake Placid? Would he not come here for a week or two. We would be glad to see him & the change might help him. Shall be glad when thy promised letter comes.

With much love to Uncle
Hendson & thyself - in wh.
all unite
Thy affect. cousin
Sarah E. Wright.

New Bedford, MA

Wright, Sarah E. [Lizzie]

to Hudson [illegible] [his cousin]

[Thank you for your heartfelt sympathy.
But it would be very imprudent for you
to come here at this time [illegible] year
+ in your state of health. The weather
is wretched + the grippe is in possession
of the town.]

[illegible]
[illegible]field Mass —
5 mo 2. 18[illegible]

Dear Friend —

Thanks are due [illegible]
for your letter of [illegible]
[illegible] and for [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] for your [illegible]
this time of year & in [illegible]
state of [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] but
the [illegible]
the Grapes is in possession
of the Comm —

[illegible] in the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] letter
of the 17th [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. It is a great [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] think, the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] at the
last & was so [illegible] a time
after the last [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] & conscious up to
a few moments before the
[illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] very [illegible]
moved & then [illegible] [illegible]
& then [illegible] [illegible] until the time

is better today so I hope I can say
the house [illegible] till [illegible] I never
can thank you all enough for making
me better once more -
Aunt [illegible] not feeling better, & can't tell
but [illegible] mend. I [illegible] shall?
John got the check but there is some
sort mistake about it - they owe
me nothing indeed it is all the
other way & I will [illegible] exchange

[illegible] since that [illegible]
[illegible] wedding, a pleasant
[illegible] in the autographic
line. I enclose to thee
[illegible] & thyself in which
all unite—
[illegible] is prompt
[illegible] so well [illegible]
[illegible]

Ever thy loving Cousin
J. E. [illegible]

Lizzie

Ans – 1.10.96

JAN 3
2 PM

Hudson [illegible] Esq

1346 Pine Street

Philadelphia

Pa

[illegible] [illegible]

Wright, Sarah E.

[to Hudson Chapman,
her cousin]

[Yesterday I received thy lovely present of "Romola," such a beautiful edition, + the illustrations are so interesting. I never read the book + know I shall enjoy it.]

[Any news of Fred?]

493 County St
New Bedford
1 mo. 4. 1897

My dear Hudson -

Yesterday morn, I received thy lovely present of "Ramona" [illegible] a beautiful edition & the ill[illegible] are so interesting. Thank thee very much for it. I never read the book, & know I shall enjoy it. I never read "Ben Hur" & felt [illegible] never could bear to have the charac[illegible] of our Saviour treated as an every day life; it [illegible] cred to me - & I fear it would give more the Unitarian idea of Him

thee the Divine side of her nature. Glad you are going to read Tennyson. he is an old favorite of mine. The Dedication to the Idyls of the King is a beautiful tribute to Prince Albert, as well as beautifully written. St Agnes Eve is another favorite of mine tho it is very short.

[illegible] been here [illegible] dinner & read us Harry's letter. I [illegible] to hear of Phebe Thompson's death. She was a lovely woman & I am sure beloved by all who knew her

Annie & Charles are much obliged for your kind gifts to them & John says not to mind about him at present that he does not know what books he wants & will look around some & get one & let you know; he sends his thanks — Now Hudson, when you got that last loan from me there was nothing said about interest & I insist that you only pay me what I ask namely 4% which amounted to $18 34/100 for 5 mos I now add to that the $5 you sent the boys

& return your cheek on
9th The last cheek you sent
spoken to John and
get more than what I
said in letter
report on it later.
No more news from Edwin
My head is aching badly
so I [illegible] more -
Dear love & thanks to you
from all here -
Your truly affectionate Cousin
Sarah E. Wright -

Any news of Fred?

7/-

Paul 1-15-92

RECEIVED JUN 2 2 30 PM

JAN 5
7 PM

S. Hudson Chapman Esq
1348 Pine Street
Philadelphia
Pa.

Wright, Sarah E.

[to S. Hudson Chapman, her cousin]

[illegible]

postcard only.

493 Comely St — Feb 3 [illegible]
1. 29. 92

Dear Dr — Forgive my silence
& accept our best thanks for
[illegible] photos [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
& [illegible] at [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] the latter
I like the color of the photos
so much & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] head
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] better today
[illegible] very cold [illegible]
[illegible] 5° below in some
parts of city & a gale blowing
[illegible] & coal hard [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] or two! [illegible]
[illegible] I must
[illegible] about [illegible]
is [illegible] that you are [illegible]
so positive! [illegible]
no more [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

POSTAL CARD ONE CENT.

United States of America

THIS SIDE IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY.

... Esq.

... Street

Philadelphia

Wright, Sarah E.

[to her cousin, Henry Chapman, Jr.]

[Addresses some "missing [illegible]" that, having "dropped [illegible] d the [illegible], had [illegible]"]

[See also the February 11, 1892 letter of J. Arnold Wright, which also refers to the missing currency.]

493 County St.
New Bedford. Mass.
2. 12. 92.

My dear Cousin –

[illegible] brought the [illegible] up & I am so sorry about the [illegible], but it is not [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] Annie began to [illegible] & found it had happ[ened]. [illegible] & had never [illegible] this just [illegible] is a sort [illegible] that is continually happening that make [illegible] [illegible] at the store – Annie might do well [illegible] but has no application & will not be told. I [illegible] daily that the dist[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] The upper store has not been, but might be made to – we can now get a lease of [illegible] till 1st of year – that is not a great deal, but better than nothing [illegible] says he would not advise you to pay $260 for that room. They [illegible] [illegible] had to sell – & unless you know somebody likely to buy [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on hand – [illegible] would only be a collector who would buy. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. If [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] if that will [illegible]

POSTAL CARD ONE CENT.

United States of America

THIS SIDE IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

FEB
P M

Henry Chapman Esq.

318 Pine Street

Philadelphia

Pa.

Wright, Sarah E.
(known as Lizzie)

[to her cousin,
S. Hudson Chapman]

(It was very foggy leaving New York this night week, & continued so till about nine when the wind arose & cleared it off & added to the roughness also. We both slept well & found it very cold in the morning, especially waiting at that delectable place, "Nyack")

93 Comely St.
June 4 '92

My dear Hudson.
Thy very kind letter
was received with the "Bird
[illegible] read" enclosed! [illegible]
[illegible] and it [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] quite been
[illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] & [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] also [illegible]
well & found it [illegible]
[illegible] especially
hailing [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 6th Just here called

Came & played the evening

New year's day & thought

[illegible] address now [illegible]

would get it so sooner.

After a week of [illegible] [illegible] we have
indulging in a [illegible] which [illegible] always
[illegible] the small [illegible] he sees his miracles
melting before his eyes. I am sorry not
to have seen the [illegible] again place
[illegible] them for [illegible] invitation
will implore [illegible] also of [illegible]
[illegible] coal. We were [illegible]
to have been able [illegible] but could not [illegible]
it. I was sorry to see [illegible] little [illegible]
but I hope he will [illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] has gone off [illegible] coal [illegible] from

while after dinner, & then talked
... in the parlor.
That minister I spoke of, did not
read at Geo. Howland's funeral
which was a very large one.
All the living ex mayors of
N.B. being present, as well as
almost all the prominent
men of the city, ...
... feet,
... the ... there ...
... John Woods & father
does not improve ... to ...
... to speak of & is
exceedingly weak ...
will not last long. ...
had quite a bad fall on the
ice & is laid up.
Hope ... you are all well with
much love to each
... the affect... ...

NEW BEDFORD
MAR 6
6 PM

S. Judson [illegible] Esq
48 Pine Street.
Spain

New Bedford, MA

Wright, Sarah E.

(known as "Lizzie")

[the Chapmans' cousin]

[illegible]

[I have been trying to write to you for days, but could not accomplish it. I am so glad you had such a jolly time at Newport + Narragansett. Alice Laher(?) said she was very anxious to have you both dine with her last Monday, + wrote a note to that effect, but the butler neglected to deliver it...]

493 County Street
New Bedford. Mass.
9mo. 11. 1892

My dear Cousins -
I have been trying to write you for days, but could not accomplish it. I am so glad you had such a jolly time at Newport & Narragansett, & I suppose at Amagansett & Avalon also - & when you have time I do want to hear all about it. Alice Tabor said she was very anxious to have had you both dine with her that last Monday, & wrote a note to that effect but the butler neglected to deliver it as he promised & so she failed to see you. She is not feeling satisfied with the base of at present as she never took a diploma at the Hospital where she studied & although the Drs here are quite satisfied with her. Then she is

in a very difficult position with regard to her elder sister who does nothing for her support & yet insists on preventing the sale of the house which They all ~~hold~~ own in common, but which she alone occupies - & has to be supported by Alice - Now this you need not pretend to know but it will explain things - Now Alice would be very glad if she could get into the Pennsylvania Hospital where she thinks her health would be better at regular routine work which is not nearly so wearing as catering to the whims of a nervous wealthy patient who is never content if they see you sit down for a moment. She asked me the other day if I thought you could ascertain for her how she should apply for admission She supposed she would have to be on the spot till an opening [illegible], & thought she would try

it a situation as companion for a.... & ...
.. sister into her place - for the secret is Vinnie is
.. proud to do anything here - but might where away
... I need not say more, if you can just get her the
information about the hospital or tell her where to apply
in it ... be greatly obliged - I am very busy
.. getting Charlie ready to go next 4th day; I shall miss
him very much indeed. Arthur Jones was
out in the sneakbox yesterday & was to pay John in
fish for use of boat, but I suppose he has left the
fish in the water to keep fresh, as he has brought none
here. We have just come in from evening meeting
& found the Remington girls in great excitement
as Chadwick's & the Chinaman's stores had just
been broken into by a burglar - The clerk in Chadwick's
went to look at ice chest & found the light turned

on & a man in the store, but though he dodged him round the block & saw him escape by back window he could not tell which way he went & he only called for help at the door!

I was sorry Harry I did not see thy letter asking for particulars of camera till after Annie had replied & thy second letter (registered) did not reach us till 3rd day, on acct of the holiday. Did thou only use the mileage book to Boston? for if so, they took too much.
Did anything come of Uncle Henry's interview with the New York parties, he was to meet?
I expect Annie was very glad to see you back again, & had the house in fine condition.
How is Aunt Hannah, & has she enjoyed her outing & [illegible] by it? Annie will [illegible] be going off for a week [illegible]

a cruise with De Wolf he says.
The latter has put larger sails
on his canoe & is daily practicing
His mother told me there never
was a prouder boy than he when
he came home with both prizes
& he is having them engraved
&c — Lily Holmes is to be married next 5th day in the swell
church here (Grace Episcopal)
& have bridesmaids maid of
honor &c — a great time —
Annie & Sadie called on me
the other day! & I was out.
I was very sorry I missed their
call. but I will now call
on them — Now I must
say farewell — with dear
love to each from all here
I am
Thy affectionate Cousin.
Sarah E. Wright

Lizzie

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